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Scheduled official meetings

Friday, 25 July 2003

Security Council

10 a.m. . . . . 4793rd meeting . . . . . Security Council Chamber

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. The situation in Côte d'Ivoire

Morning[1] . . . . . 4794th meeting . . . . . Security Council Chamber

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. Security Council mission

   Report of the Security Council mission to Central Africa, 7 to 16 June 2003 (S/2003/653)

   Report of the Security Council mission to West Africa from 26 June to 5 July 2003 (S/2003/688)

3 p.m. . . . . 4795th meeting (closed) . . . . . Economic and Social Council Chamber

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. Meeting of the Security Council with the troop-contributing countries to the United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon (UNIFIL) pursuant to resolution 1353 (2001), annex II, sections A and B

Afternoon[2] . . . . . 4796th meeting (closed) . . . . . Economic and Social Council Chamber

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. Meeting of the Security Council with the troop-contributing countries to the United Nations Observer Mission in Georgia (UNOMIG) pursuant to resolution 1353 (2001), annex II, sections A and B

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[1] To be held following the adjournment of the 4793rd meeting.

[2] To be held following the adjournment of the 4795th meeting.

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Security Council

The Security Council will hold a public meeting on Tuesday, 29 July 2003, in the Security Council Chamber, in connection with the briefing by the Chairman of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1267 (1999). Member States wishing to inscribe their names on the list of speakers should contact the Secretariat (room S-3520; or tel. 1 (212) 963-5263), as from Thursday, 24 July 2003, from 9.30 a.m. to 6 p.m. Delegations are also kindly requested to limit their statement to no more than *five minutes*.

General Assembly

International Civil Service Commission
Fifty-seventh session

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 3

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 3

Group of Governmental Experts on the United Nations Register of Conventional Arms

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 8

United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea

Second round of informal consultations of the States Parties to the United Nations Fish Stocks Agreement

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 1

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 1

General Assembly
Fifty-eighth session

General debate
(23–26 September 2003, 29 September–3 October 2003)

The provisional list of speakers (No. 1) for the general debate of the fifty-eighth regular session of the General Assembly is now available at the General Assembly Affairs Branch (rooms S-2925 and S-2940B). The provisional list of speakers (No. 1) has also been sent by facsimile directly to the permanent missions (Office of the Permanent Representative).

Delegations are reminded that in accordance with the practice at recent sessions of the General Assembly, a voluntary 15-minute time limit should be observed during the general debate. The list of speakers was prepared on the basis of this 15-minute time limit. To help speakers in the general debate respect the time limit, a mechanism will be installed at the rostrum of the General Assembly Hall.

General Assembly

Fifty-eighth session

High-level plenary meetings devoted to the follow-up to the outcome of the twenty-sixth special session: implementation of the Declaration of Commitment on HIV/AIDS (22 September 2003)

Delegations wishing to inscribe on the list of speakers for the debate in plenary at the one-day high-level plenary meetings devoted to the follow-up to the outcome of the twenty-sixth special session – implementation of the Declaration of Commitment on HIV/AIDS, to be held on Monday, 22 September 2003, in accordance with General Assembly resolution 57/308 of 22 May 2003, are kindly requested to send their inscriptions, including the name and full title of the speaker, to the List of Speakers, General Assembly Affairs Branch by fax (1 (212) 963-3783) or by e-mail (dizon@un.org).

Delegations are reminded that the list of speakers for the debate in plenary will be organized on a first-come, first-served basis, the order of precedence being as follows: (a) Heads of State and Government; (b) Vice-Presidents/Crown Princes or Princesses; (c) Deputy Prime Ministers; (d) the highest-ranking official of the Holy See, in its capacity as observer State, and of Palestine, in its capacity as observer; (e) Ministers; (f) Vice-Ministers; and (g) Heads of delegations. The first provisional list of speakers will be made available to all delegations on Monday, 4 August 2003.

Delegations are further reminded that statements in the plenary meetings should not exceed five minutes each.

Other meetings

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Friday, 25 July 2003

African Group *(at the ambassadorial level)*

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 2

Asian Group of the Whole Meeting

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Economic and Social Council Chamber

Press conferences

The schedule below is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at www.un.org/News/ossg/conf.htm.

Friday, 25 July 2003

Room S-226

11.45 a.m. . . . . Press briefing by the Spokesman

12 noon . . . . . Commission on the Private Sector and Development (to be launched by Secretary-General Mr. Kofi Annan; Mr. Mark Malloch-Brown, Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP); and Commission co-chairs Mr. Paul Martin, Canada's former Finance Minister, and former Mexican President Mr. Ernesto Zedillo)

Forthcoming official meetings

Economic and Social Council

Substantive session of 2003
(30 June–25 July 2003)

Finalization of all outstanding matters and documents processing
(23 July (afternoon) to 25 July (morning))

Conclusion of work
(25 July (afternoon))

Statements

Delegations wishing to have their statements circulated should make available, to the Conference Officers in Geneva, 250 copies.

Open-ended Working Group on Informatics: Technical Subgroup

The next meeting of the Technical Subgroup of the Open-ended Working Group on Informatics will take place on Tuesday, 29 July 2003, at 11 a.m. in Conference Room 10, under the chairmanship of H.E. Mr. Bob Jalang'o (Kenya).

Other forthcoming meetings

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Briefing on "New Operational Activities of the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime"

There will be a briefing for members of Permanent Missions on "New Operational Activities of the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime" by the Executive Director of the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime, Mr. Antonio Maria Costa, on Tuesday, 29 July 2003, from 3.30 to 5 p.m. in Conference Room 10. Secretariat staff and representatives of the media are also invited. For further information, please contact the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (tel. 1 (212) 963-7227; fax 1 (212) 963-4185).

Announcements

General Assembly

Seating protocol for the fifty-eighth regular session

On Monday, 21 July 2003, in accordance with established practice, the Secretary-General drew lots for the purpose of determining which Member State would occupy the first desk on the General Assembly floor. The name drawn was Malawi; consequently, the delegation of Malawi will sit at the first desk at the right of the President and the other countries will follow in the English alphabetical order. The same order will be observed in the Main Committees.

Security Council

Daily informal briefings

As from Thursday, 3 July 2003, and for the rest of the month, the Presidency of the Security Council will conduct informal briefings daily on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations which are non-members of the Council, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings will take place immediately following the adjournment of the informal consultations in the Press Briefing Room (S-226).

Recorded information

Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling 1 (212) 963-8530.

Economic and Social Council

Substantive session of 2003
United Nations Office at Geneva

Tuesday, 22 July 2003

44th meeting

Implementation of and follow-up to major United Nations conferences and summits [6]

(b) Review and coordination of the implementation of the Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries for the Decade 2001-2010

The Council resumed its consideration of the sub-item.

Action on draft resolution E/2003/L.15

The Council adopted the draft resolution.

The Council thus concluded its consideration of sub-item 6 (b).

International cooperation in the field of informatics . . . . . [7 (d)]

The Council resumed its consideration of the sub-item.

Action on draft resolution E/2003/L.11

A statement was made by the observer for Morocco (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China) and by the representative of the Russian Federation.

Following a statement by the representative of the United States, action on the draft resolution was postponed.

Joint United Nations Programme on Human Immunodeficiency Virus/Acquired Immunodeficiency Syndrome (UNAIDS) . . . . . [7 (g)]

The Council resumed its consideration of the sub-item.

Action on draft resolution E/2003/L.25/Rev.1

Cuba, Cameroon, Ireland, Nepal, Nicaragua, Qatar, Romania and Rwanda joined in sponsoring the revised draft resolution.

The Council adopted the draft resolution, after which a statement was made by the representative of Senegal.

Regional Cooperation . . . . . [10]

The Council resumed its consideration of the item.

Action on draft resolution E/2003/L.16

The Secretary read out a statement regarding programme budget implications.

The Vice-Chairman, Ms. Marjatta Rasi (Finland) made a statement.

The representative of the United States made a statement.

The Council then decided to take action on the draft resolution at a later stage.

Science and technology for development . . . . . [13 (b)]

The Council resumed its consideration of the sub-item.

Action on draft resolution E/2003/L.30/Rev.1

India, Mexico and Romania joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

A statement was made by the observer for Switzerland.

The Council adopted the revised draft resolution, as orally corrected, after which a statement was made by the representative of Japan.

Non-governmental organizations . . . . . [12]

Social and human rights questions . . . . . [14]

(c) Crime prevention and criminal justice

(d) Narcotic drugs

(e) United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees

(f) Implementation of the Programme of Action for the Third Decade to Combat Racism and Racial Discrimination

(i) Genetic privacy and non-discrimination

The Council began its consideration of items 12, 14 (c), (d), (e), (f), and (i) and heard introductory statements by the Assistant High Commissioner for Refugees (sub-item (e)) and the President of the International Narcotics Control Board (sub-item (d)).

Statements were made by the representatives of Ukraine, Egypt, Azerbaijan, Argentina, Jamaica, France and Cuba, as well as by the observers for the United Republic of Tanzania and Sudan.

The representative of UNESCO made a statement.

The representative of the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies made a statement.

(e) United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees

Introduction of draft decision E/2003/L.4

The representative of Egypt introduced the draft decision under sub-item 14 (e).

Introduction of draft decision E/2003/L.14

The observer for Zambia introduced the draft decision under sub-item 14 (e).

(i) Genetic privacy and non-discrimination

Introduction and action on draft decision E/2003/L.36

The representative of Argentina introduced the draft decision under sub-item 14 (i), after which the Council adopted it.

(c) Crime prevention and criminal justice

Recommendations contained in the report of the Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice (E/2003/30)

Draft resolutions I to IV contained in Section A

The Council recommended the draft resolutions for adoption by the General Assembly.

Draft resolutions I to VIII contained in Section B

The Council adopted the draft resolutions.

Draft decisions I and II contained in Section C

The Council adopted the draft decisions.

The Council thus concluded its consideration of the recommendations contained in the report of the Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice.

The Council, on the proposal of the Vice-President, decided to take note of the report on the preparations for the Eleventh United Nations Congress on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice (A/58/87-E/2003/82).

(d) Narcotic drugs

Recommendations contained in the report of the Commission on Narcotics Drugs (E/2003/28)

Draft resolutions I to X contained in section A

The Council adopted the draft resolutions.

Draft decisions I and II contained in section B

The Council adopted the draft decisions.

The Council thus concluded its consideration of the recommendations contained in the report of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs.

(a) Advancement of Women

The Council resumed its consideration of the sub-item.

Recommendations contained in the report of the Commission on the Status of Women (E/2003/27)

Draft resolution I

The Council adopted the draft resolution by a recorded vote of 42 to 2, with 4 abstentions.

Before the adoption of the draft resolution, statements were made by the representatives of the United States of America and Australia, as well as by the observer for Morocco (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China).

After the adoption of the draft resolution, statements were made by the representative of Germany, as well as by the observers for Morocco (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China) and Israel.

Subsequently, statements were made by the representatives of Kenya and Germany with regard to their votes.

Draft resolutions II and III

The Council adopted the draft resolutions.

Draft decision on the report of the Commission on the Status of Women on its forty-seventh session and provisional agenda for the forty-eighth session of the Commission

The Council adopted the draft decision.

Organization of work

Statements were made by the representatives of Cuba, Chile and Portugal.

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]

International Convention for the Suppression of Terrorist Bombings. New York, 15 December 1997

Objection to the declaration made by Pakistan upon accession: Canada (18 July 2003)[1]

United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime. New York, 15 November 2000

Ratification: Costa Rica (24 July 2003)[1]

Framework Convention on Tobacco Control. Geneva, 21 May 2003

Signature: Côte d'Ivoire (24 July 2003)

Treaty event

Focus 2003: Treaties against transnational organized crime and terrorism

United Nations Headquarters (23–26 September 2003)

Signature of and deposit of instruments relating to multilateral treaties deposited with the Secretary-General

The Treaty Event will take place from 23 to 26 September 2003 at Headquarters. Appropriate facilities, including media coverage, will be made available for treaty actions to be undertaken in a solemn setting.

Delegations that have notified the Secretary-General, in response to his letter of 2 April 2003, and those still intending to do so, of their intention to sign or deposit instruments relating to multilateral treaties under his custody, in particular those relating to transnational organized crime and terrorism, are advised to contact the Treaty Section of the Office of Legal Affairs to promptly arrange appointments (room S-3200; tel. 1 (212) 963-5047; fax 1 (212) 963-3693; e-mail treaty@un.org).

Delegations are also requested to submit copies of instruments of ratification, acceptance, approval, or accession, including, where appropriate, texts of declarations and reservations, and, as necessary, full powers to the Treaty Section by 1 September 2003 for verification.

It is recalled that, under the established international practice, only Heads of State, Heads of Government or Ministers for Foreign Affairs are empowered, by virtue of their functions, to sign treaties on behalf of States without having to produce full powers to that effect. Other representatives wishing to sign treaties must be in possession of appropriate full powers, which expressly authorize signature of specified treaties by a named representative issued and signed by one of these authorities.

[1] Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

Other announcements

Photographic Exhibits

Photographic exhibits are on display in the Public Lobby of the General Assembly Building, as follows:

Exhibit entitled "The Leaning Tower of Pisa", organized by the Permanent Mission of Italy and UNESCO, until 29 August 2003; and

Exhibit entitled "What Meets the Eye: Images of Rural Poverty", organized by the International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD), until 29 September 2003.

Web Sites

President of the General Assembly:
www.un.org/ga/president

Presidency of the Security Council:
www.un.org/Docs/sc/presidency
www.un.org/french/docs/sc/presidency/
www.un.org/spanish/docs/presidency

Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism:
www.un.org/arabic/documents/SCCommittees/1373
www.un.org/chinese/aboutun/prinorgs/sc/committees/1373/1373.htm
www.un.org/docs/sc/committees/1373
www.un.org/french/docs/sc/committees/1373
www.un.org/russian/documen/scdocs/committees/1373
www.un.org/spanish/docs/comites/1373/index.html

Security Council:
www.un.org/sc

Economic and Social Council:
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Italian presidency of the European Union:
www.italyun.org
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Journal of the United Nations:
www.un.org/Docs/journal/En/lateste.pdf
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With the exception of sales publications and public information material, hyperlinked official documents listed hereunder may be accessed through the Official Document System of the United Nations in the electronic version of the present Journal. The list contains documents issued by 2 p.m. on 24 July 2003.

Symbol	*Main title*
General Assembly	**Official Records**
	Fifty-seventh session
A/57/PV.69	Meeting held on 6 December 2002, 3 p.m. [A]
General Assembly	**Documents**
	Fifty-seventh session
A/RES/57/290 B	Item 126 — Administrative and budgetary aspects of the financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations [A C E F R S]
A/RES/57/311	Item 112 — Financial situation of the International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women [A C E F R S]
A/RES/57/320	Item 126 — Financing of the United Nations Logistics Base at Brindisi, Italy [A C E F R S]
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A/58/97	Item 120 of the preliminary list — Financial reports and audited financial statements, and reports of the Board of Auditors — Second report on the implementation of the recommendations of the Board of Auditors on the accounts of the United Nations for the biennium ended 31 December 2001 — Report of the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]
A/58/97/Add.1	Item 120 of the preliminary list — Addendum [A C E F R S]
Security Council	**Documents**
S/2003/665/Add.1	Progress report of the Secretary-General on Ethiopia and Eritrea — Eritrea-Ethiopia Boundary Commission — Schedule of the order of activities ahead as at 16 July 2003 [A C E F R S]
S/2003/751	Report of the Secretary-General on the situation in Abkhazia, Georgia [A C E F R S]
S/Agenda/4792	Provisional agenda [A C E F R S]

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